

CASUALS FAR TOO SPEEDY FOR WYCOMBE

Sports Mail Special Report

WITH three internationals in their line-up Corinthian - Casuals fielded one of their strongest possible sides against Wycombe Wanderers at the Oval in their Isthmian League match this afternoon. The casuals thoroughly deserved their two - goal interval lead, being far too fast for Wycombe.

Corinthian - Casuals: Wakefield; Robertson, Newton; Simkins, Vowels, Smith; Insole, Trimby, Joyce, Jacobs, Neil.

Wycombe Wanderers: Syrett; Beck, Moring; Truett, Fisher, Weaver; Worley, Trott, Bates, Fryer, Free.

Referee: W A Benskin.

Using the ball swiftly, Casuals should have taken a third-minute lead, Jacobs miskicking in front of an open goal after Insole had beaten Syrett. The

Casuals' speed had the Wycombe defence in real trouble.

Jacobs was in the thick of the Casuals' attack and only quick work by wing half Weaver prevented him from scoring. Neil's resulting corner kick was scrambled back to him and when he returned the ball into the goal mouth INSOLE headed home.

Little was seen of the Wanderers forwards.

FINE PASSES

Using their wingers freely, Casuals were splitting the Wycombe defence with beautifully judged passes. Syrett made a brilliant diving save, but a fine solo goal by TRIMBY put Casuals two up.

Wycombe tried hard to bring Worley into the game but when he did receive the ball the hard tackling Casual defenders cut out the threat.

As Wycombe improved, Beck wandered into the home penalty area and sent in a ferocious drive after Trott had chipped the ball back to him. Wakefield had to pull off a fine save.

Moving fast to get back into his own half, Beck was just in time to prevent Trimby from scoring and the Wycombe goal had some marvellous escapes in the few minutes before half-time.

Half-time: Corinthian Casuals 2, Wycombe Wanderers 0.

Keeping up relentless pressure Casuals swung into a barrage of attacks and Wycombe were lucky to keep them out. The inevitable goal came when TRIMBY robbed a Wycombe defender and dribbled through.

Then NEIL'S crisp ground shot completely beat Syrett for a fourth goal for the Casuals.

The Casuals dominated the game and as they did so Fisher headed away a fine drive and Syrett made great saves from Insole and Joyce.

WYCOMBE GET A HIDING

Cor.-Casuals 4, Wycombe 0

LISTLESS Isthmian League leaders Wycombe Wanderers crashed heavily at the Oval yesterday to a Corinthian-Casuals side which showed more zest in defence and more purpose and drive in attack.

Swift, incisive attacking by Casuals—during which the ball was freely given to wing-men Doug Insole and Pat Neil—ripped open Wanderers' defence.

The Wanderers forwards always tried to play thoughtful football, but with key-men Paul Bates and Len Worley snuffed out by some fierce but fair tackling by Reg Vowells and Derek Newton the line never functioned well.

Casuals virtually won in the first 20 minutes, when Insole cleverly headed in Neil's centre and when Robin Trimby ran through the Wycombe defence for a great solo goal.

A lob onto the crossbar by Ron Fryer and a powerful shot from full-back John Beck — beautifully parried by goalkeeper Brian Wakefield—were the nearest Wycombe came to scoring.

Dominating the second half Casuals polished up their shooting Trimby, challenging for an international place, beat Johnny Weaver in an inspired dribble and calmly flicked home the third goal. A fast ground shot from Neil, which completely beat Syrett, knocked the heart out of Wanderers who were lucky to escape a greater defeat.